

**WORK SESSION
OCTOBER 2, 2018**

In compliance with Chapter 231, OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice has been given to all members of the Governing Body, the "Local Source" and the "Westfield Leader" the two newspapers designated to receive such notice. The notice is posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board.

Mayor Paul N. Mirabelli called the meeting to order at 7:29 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Mirabelli, Councilwoman Andre, Councilman Dierkes, Councilman Mortimer, Councilwoman Pater, Council President Turner, Administrator Debbie and Attorney Post. Also present were CFO Jill Goode, Recreation Director Frank Masella and Lt. Joseph Giannuzzi. Councilman Messler was absent.

Discussion was held regarding a request for donations from the PTO to fund the annual fall festival. The borough will donate \$500 to support the event. The proper resolution will be prepared for the October 16, 2018 meeting.

Discussion was held regarding a department refund. Recreation Director Frank Masella requested pool member receive a refund due to non-attendance. The proper resolution will be prepared for the meeting of October 16, 2018.

Discussion was held regarding authorization to appoint Stephen DeVito as a volunteer firefighter. The applicant's background check has been cleared through the police department. Fire Chief Anthony Pecorelli recommends the appointment. A motion to approve the new firefighter will take place at the October 16, 2018 meeting.

Discussion was held regarding a bid recommendation for Contract 2018-10 Tennis Court Repaving at the Municipal Building. The Borough Engineer recommends rejecting the bids due to exceeding the cost estimate for the project. The proper resolution will be prepared for the meeting of October 16, 2018.

Discussion was held regarding authorization to apply for the Community Development Block Grant 45 which helps to fund the Senior Citizens Social Services Program. The proper resolution will be prepared for the meeting of October 16, 2018.

Discussion was held regarding amending Resolution 139-2008 increasing the hourly rate for police secondary employment. The amendment to increase the hourly rate was recently negotiated into the new PBA contract. The new rate will be based on the top paid Patrolman's without longevity overtime rate. The proper resolution will be prepared for the October 16, 2018 meeting.

Discussion was held regarding a request from the Finance Officer for a Chapter 159 resolution to include a special item of revenue into the 2018 municipal budget for the Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant \$3,171.60. The proper resolution will be prepared for the meeting of October 16, 2018 meeting.

BILLS & CLAIMS:

The following resolution was introduced by Councilman Mortimer and seconded by Councilman Dierkes:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the following bills of the persons named and for the amounts stated below, having been duly audited and found to be correct this 2nd day of October 2018, the same be paid after Council's review, if and when funds are available and that the Mayor, Council President, Administrator and Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to sign and deliver warrants for same in the amount of \$95,653.00. (Copy of bill list attached)

Roll call: Ayes: Andre, Dierkes, Mortimer, Pater, Turner. Nays: 0.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Gary Whyte, 289 Old Tote thanked Mayor Mirabelli, Lt. Joseph Giannuzzi and Sgt. Michael Jackson for attending the Honorary PBA Club meeting.

Upon a motion by Councilman Mortimer and a second by Councilman Turner, the following resolution to adjourn to closed session was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey permits the public to be excluded from certain matters to be discussed by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to discuss personnel and contracts which are matters where the exclusion of the public is permitted; and

WHEREAS, public disclosure of the results of this discussion will be made as soon as the matters discussed have been resolved by the Governing Body of the Borough of Mountainside;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mountainside that the aforesaid matters shall be discussed in closed session upon adoption of this resolution.

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:40 P.M.

The meeting was recalled to public session at 9:09 P.M.

Upon motion by Councilman Mortimer and a second by Councilman Dierkes, the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Martha Lopez, RMC
Borough Clerk